

PRESS RELEASE

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RE: UNITED STATES v. VICTOR MARSHALL

United States Attorney Terrance P. Flynn, announced today a two-count Indictment, charging Victor Marshall, age 30, of Upper East Lane, Buffalo, New York, with distribution of cocaine base ("crack") on the real property comprising Schaeffer Village, a housing facility owned by a public housing authority, and distribution of cocaine base in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 860(a) and 841(a)(1), carrying a minimum penalty of 5 years imprisonment and a maximum penalty of 80 years imprisonment, a fine of \$2,000,000 or both. It should be noted that the fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime . . . is merely an accusation and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. (**Disciplinary Rule 7-107(B)(6)**).

Assistant U.S. Attorney Mary Clare Kane stated that the Indictment charges the defendant with selling 11 grams of crack cocaine to a confidential source for the Erie County Sheriff's Department on June 15, 2005 while on the grounds of Schaeffer Village Housing Complex, owned and operated by the Buffalo Municipal Housing Authority.

The Indictment was the culmination of an investigation on the part of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, under the direction of Resident Agent in Charge Nancy M. Cote, and the Erie County Sheriff's Department, under the direction of Sheriff Timothy Howard.

The evidence was presented to the Grand Jury by Mary Clare Kane, Assistant United States Attorney, who will handle the trial of the case.